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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2004

Dear Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 4, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following two groups of claims:

Group I – Claims 1-26 and 30, drawn to an authentication system; and

Group II – Claims 27-29, drawn to a data packet.

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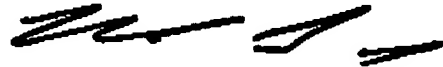
Applicants' representative hereby elects with traverse Group I (Claims 1-26 and 30) for further prosecution on the merits.

Should there be any questions regarding this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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